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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: A. Amari
Takashi KATO, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2872
Application No.: 09/820,710)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 4478
Filed: March 30, 2001)	
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For: PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM)	
AND PROJECTION EXPOSURE	:	
APPARATUS)	May 24, 2004

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AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Official Action dated February 26, 2004, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows: